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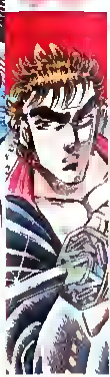

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般若の面!!の巻……六七
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長兄・梁皇登場!!の巻……一〇七
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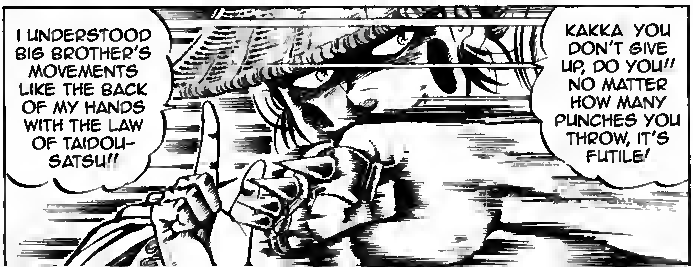

I UNDERSTOOD BIG BROTHER'S MOVEMENTS LIKE THE BACK OF MY HANDS WITH THE LAW OF TAIDOU-SATSU!!
KAKKA YOU DON'T GIVE UP, DO YOU!! NO MATTER HOW MANY PUNCHES YOU THROW, IT'S FUTILE!

CHP. 196: THE GREAT INHERITANCE

大いなる遺産の巻

GAHA
!!

J'S BEEN HURT AGAIN ---!!
J --!!
ONE
KNOCK-DOWN ---!!
TWO
THREE

КИЧ!!
!!
ВИНА!!

RYOUZAN-PAKU OUGI: CHOUREN SHOUTEIHA !!
NHO!!
TN: "CHOUREN SHOUTEIHA" = "HANGING-CONNECTING-BREAKING RAM-PALM"
HOO----!! WHAT IS THIS, J'S BEING SHOWERED IN BLOWS----!

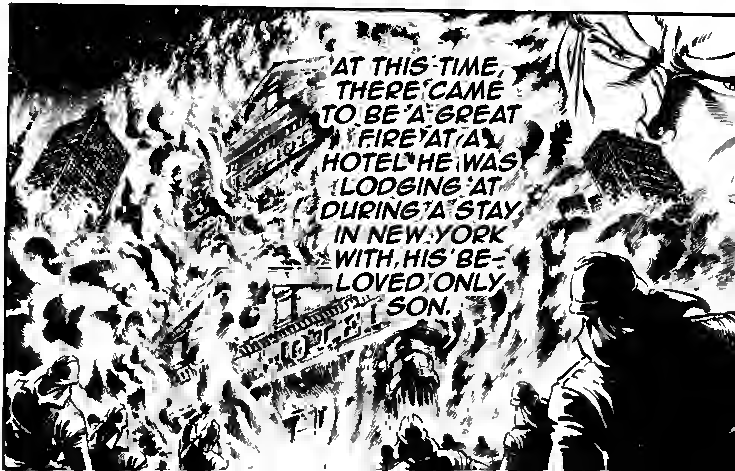
NOW WE DON'T EVEN HAVE TO TAKE COUNT
THE GAME'S OVER.
FU, YOU'RE A TOUGH GUY YOU'RE STILL BREATHING.!!
I BROKE ALL OF YOUR RIBS AND YET...!!
AS EXPECTED FROM ONE OF THE THREE HEADS OF RYOU ZANPAKU ...!!
YOU'RE NOT AN ORDINARY PERSON AFTER ALL.
IF I COULD, I WOULDN'T WANT TO USE THIS
BUT, IT--IT SEEMS I HAVE TO.
HUH ---!?

LET ME SHOW YOU MY NEW BLOW.....!!
WHAT---!! J'S NEW BLOW---!
WH...WHAT EXACTLY IS THIS ----!?
.....!!
IT... CAN'T BE...
WHAT'S WRONG, MOMO----!! DO, DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING ----!
HAS HE PERFECTED THAT PUNCH .....!!

HE'S SERIOUSLY TRAINING AS EVER, THAT J.
YEAH BUT WHAT SORT OF TRAINING IS THAT!? HE'S BEEN NOTHING BUT ENTIRELY ATTACKING FALLING LEAVES LIKE THAT SINCE EARLIER
!!

THE FALLING LEAVES ROTATED IN A SPIRAL PATTERN FOR A MOMENT BY THE FORCE OF J'S PUNCH
WHAT WAS THAT N...NOW .....!?
P!!
S・H・
(SPIRAL HURRICANE PUNCH)
J, WHAT EXACTLY WAS THAT NOW.....!?
S・H・P
.....!?

ADMIRED AS INVINCIBLE AND THE STRONGEST IN THE HISTORY OF BOXING, SAID TO HAVE 157 KO VICTORIES IN 157 MATCHES
THIS IS THE STORY LONG AGO, THERE WAS A CHAMP CALLED K (KING) BUTLER,
THIS CAN'T BE DONE BY ME YET.
JUST AS THE NAME, IT'S A THING THAT WILL HAVE A TORNADO OCCUR IN THE ATMOSPHERE BY THE FORCE OF A TREMENDOUS PUNCH
IS, IS THIS FOR REAL!? .....
CREATING A TORNADO ~~~!!


AT THIS TIME, THERE CAME TO BE A GREAT FIRE AT A HOTEL HE WAS LODGING AT DURING A STAY IN NEW YORK WITH HIS BELOVED ONLY SON.

THIS CHAMP, WHO WAS STAYING ON THE TOP FLOOR, FAILED TO ESCAPE; BY THE TIME HE LEFT HIS ROOM, THE HALL HAD ALREADY BECOME A SEA OF FIRE.
THE DOOR TO THE EMERGENCY STAIRS WAS TEN METERS AHEAD IN THE CORRIDOR, BUT THE FLAMES WERE STRONG AND IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO GO TROUGH IT...!!
AS IT WAS, THEY WERE CERTAIN TO BURN TO DEATH...!!
IT WAS THERE THAT HE...!!
ARE YOU OKAY, SON? LISTEN WELL TO WHAT YOUR FATHER SAYS.
WHEN I GIVE THE SIGNAL, RUN AT ONCE DOWN THE CORRIDOR TO THE DOORS OF THE EMERGENCY STAIRS.
DON'T BE AFRAID. BELIEVE IN YOUR DAD.
IT'LL BE FINE.

FARE-
WELL,
SON
.....!!
GO
---!!
TAKE THIS!!
THIS IS THE
LAST PUNCH OF
MINE IN THIS
WORLD--!!

A MIRACLE OCCURRED: THE CHAMP'S PUNCH TORE APART THE SEA OF FIRE, GIVING RISE TO A TORNADO LIKE A SQUALL, THE BOY RAN THROUGH WITHIN IT AND HIS LIFE WAS BROUGHT TO A STOP.
THE CHAMP HAD DIED.
BUT THIS BECAME LEGEND AND ITS FAME WAS LEFT BEHIND. THAT IS S - H - P .....!!
.....!!

THAT'S A DREADFUL STORY ...!!
S・H・P ...!!
J.....
J HAS THIS PUNCH, EVEN IF HE HAS TO STRIKE FOR THE FIRST TIME AT THIS MOMENT WHERE IT'S BECOME AN EXTREME SITUATION FOR BOTH HIS BODY AND WILLPOWER !!
I HEARD YOUR FRIEND'S STORY.
I HAVE GOOD HEARING.
FUFFUFFU. A LEGENDARY PUNCH ~~~!!

KAKKAKAK BUT ISN'T THAT FUNNY!! WHAT IS THIS S-H-P----!
ANYHOW, THAT LEGEND IS JUST A MYTH----!!
NOW, YOU SHOULD COME!!
AFTER ALL, THE WINNER AND LOSER HAVE ALREADY BEEN DECIDED.
LET ME SHOW YOU.
THE INHERITANCE HANDED OVER FROM THE GREAT CHAMP.....!!
THAT'S PATHETIC.
IT SEEMS THAT IMPACT EARLIER STRUCK YOUR HEAD.
I DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO KEEP COMPANY ANY FURTHER WITH YOU!!
DIE!!
H!!!

TAKE THIS:
S - H - P!!
MY NAME IS J! K. BUTLER JR!!
HUH!!

OOOH
!!
WHAT IS THIS ----!!

GYAWA
!!
Thanks
daddy…!!

TN:

YEAH . I HAD TO BOLD THAT PART. THE BIG FINALE WHERE J REVEALS HIS HERITAGE (AND THAT HE'S THE SON OF A 157-0, 157 K.O. BOXER IN HIS DAD KING BUTLER) WAS JUST THAT EPIC THAT IT HAD TO BE TRANSLATED AS SUCH.

BUT OF COURSE, "J" IS A SYNONYM FOR "EPIC" IN THIS SERIES SO NOT DOING SO WOULD PRETTY MUCH EQUATE TO A CRIME. THE WHOLE CHAPTER WAS JUST BUILD-UP TO THAT MOMENT, FROM J BEING KNOCKED AROUND TO THE WHOLE FLASHBACK INVOLVING WHY HIS DAD HAD THE ABILITY AND WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM..

THOUGH STRANGELY IT SEEMS MORE LIKE THEY LIVED IN THE 40S OR 50S THAN MORE RECENTLY (BUT AGE IS A STRANGE THING CONSIDERING SOME OTOKOJUKU STUDENTS HAVE BEEN THERE FOR YEARS)

THERE REALLY ISN'T TOO MUCH MORE TO SAY. BUT WHEN FINISHING A J FIGHT, THAT USUALLY HAPPENS.

HE...HE DID IT, A VICTORY FOR J-----!!
WITH ONE BLOW, THAT BRAT WAS SENT FLYING TO THE CLIFF OF RYOUZANPAKU'S SIDE----!!
AMAZING; THAT NEW BLOW: S-H-P -----!!
華麗!!扇の舞の

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華麗！扇の舞の巻

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ビオ
NOW, GET UP QUICKLY, J--!!
YOUR BODY HAS TAKEN FAIR DAMAGE!! IT'LL BE UNWISE TO NOT GET TREATMENT QUICKLY----!
GUGU GU!!
GUU!!
NUHA !!

THAT A**HOLE !!
HE'S GOING DOWN THE ROPE-LADDER AND GOING DOWN TO THE BATTLE-FIELD!! IS HE STILL GOING TO FIGHT!
WHAT'S THAT: THAT BRAT IS STILL ALIVE WHILE BEING DRIVEN INTO THE CLIFF---!!
.....
WOO ---!!
AGA!!

MY LOSS.
IT'S A LOSS.
FORGIVE ME..!!
HE WAS A GREAT FATHER .....!!
AND YET, I..I SPOKE STUPIDLY.. STUPIDLY ABOUT BIG BROTHER'S FATHER.....!!
THAT AMAZ-ING PUNCH REALLY DOES EXIST...!

IT WAS A GOOD MATCH.
!?
YOUR STRENGTH WAS BEYOND IMAGINATION!!
AAH, THAT WILL BE A PLEASURE.
I WILL BE MUCH STRONGER AND CERTAINLY WILL CHALLENGE A RETURN MATCH TO BIG BROTHER ——!!
WHEN WE MEET NEXT, IT WON'T BE LIKE THIS——!!

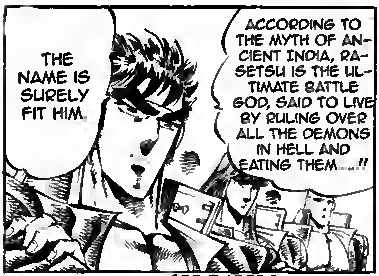
SEEMS SO. THERE ARE RARE TO MEET A GUY LIKE HIM.
FU, SOMEHOW HE'S A GUY WE CAN'T HATE.
HE CAME DOWN TO SAY JUST THAT..
WHAT'S WI. WITH HIM..!?
BUT J WAS FORCED INTO A HARD MATCH WITH MERELY THAT SHRIMP..!! THE NEXT OPPONENT SHOULD BE QUITE A FORMIDABLE ENEMY
WITH THAT, THERE REMAIN TWO RYOU-ZAN PAKU'S HEADS..!!
THAT WAS GREAT---!! GOOD WORK, J!
NOW, GET TREATED QUICKLY!!
THIS ISN'T A PLACE FOR EITHER OF YOU TO APPEAR NOW!!
OUT OF THE WAY!!
HUH!
DON'T TALK STUPIDLY, TORAMARU!! HERE'S MY TURN---!
YOSSHA!! HERE'S WHERE YOU LEAVE IT TO ME---!

ITS RASETSU, ONE OF THE OTOKOJUKU THIRD-YEARS' SHITENNOU!!
HOLD ON A MOMENT RASETSU, NO, RASETSU-SENPAI----!!
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF "THIS ISN'T A PLACE FOR US TO APPEAR NOW" ----!!
RIGHT, WE CAN'T LET IT GO, WITH WHAT SENPAI JUST HAVE SAID----!!
!?

HI!!
HUH!!
UO!!

TA...TAKE CARE!!
OSSU, GO...GO FORTH!!

KYOU-KE GOKUI: TOUSHI KIHA!!


THE NAME IS SURELY FIT HIM.
ACCORDING TO THE MYTH OF ANCIENT INDIA, RASETSU IS THE ULTIMATE BATTLE GOD, SAID TO LIVE BY RULING OVER ALL THE DEMONS IN HELL AND EATING THEM...!!

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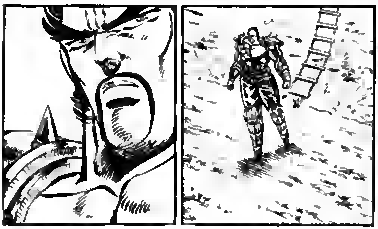

RASETSU-SENPU! BANZA-I!!

FU, I HAVE THESE TROUBLES HAVING THIS BAD-CAUSING LITTLE BROTHER.
MY NAME IS SANEN OF RYOUZAN PAKU'S THREE HEADS!!
HE'S A TERRIBLY EERILY MOOD GUY...!!
THAT GUY, HE'S ON THE BATTLE-GROUND BEFORE WE'RE AWARE..!!

THAT STANCE IS KYOU-KE TOUSHI KIHA .....!!
I SEE YOU ARE QUITE A MASTER OF IT.
BUT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOUR PRIDED FIST TO EVEN TOUCH MY BODY.....!!
YOU WILL DIE WITH YOUR BODY DYED IN BLOOD AND CHOPPED TO BITS!!

RYOUZAN-PAKU OUGI: KAICHUU SENBU-SATSU!!
TN: "KAICHUU SENBU-SATSU" = "AERIAL-EAGLE ROTTING-FAN MURDER"

NU!!

WH...WHAT ARE...ARE THOSE NUMEROUS FAN-LIKE THINGS THROWN BY THAT GUY SAMEH---!?
TH...THEY'VE STARTED TO TURN WITH TREMENDOUS FORCE AROUND RASETSU---!!
WHAT IS THIS?
IT SEEM THERE ARE BLADES PREPARED ON THE FANS BUT THEY DON'T MEAN ANYTHING IF THEY DON'T COME TO ATTACK!!
!!
BUT, NATURALLY, THEY DON'T JUST DO THAT!!
FUFUF. YES, THESE FANS ARE MERELY JUST CONTINUING TO ROTATE AROUND YOU !!

HUH!!

WHAT IS THIS!!
FUFU HAVE YOU COME TO UNDERSTAND? THIS IS THE TRUE MEANING OF SENBU-SATSU!!
THERE ISN'T A WAY FOR YOU TO ESCAPE!!

THE LAW OF KACCHUUSHIN...A TECHNIQUE POSITIONED AT THE HIGHEST PEAK AMONG THE SECRET OUGI OF VARIOUS CHINESE KENPOU. THE TRUE WORTH OF THE TECHNIQUE IS TO EQUATE TO NOTHING THE BURDEN OF CONSECUTIVE MOVEMENT NIMBLY TO THE NEXT POINT WHEN ON THE VERGE OF HOLDING THE WEIGHT OF THE ENTIRE BODY WHEN LANDING ON A CERTAIN POINT AND HOLDING IT IN THE VICINITY OF A POINT. IT IS NECESSARY TO TRAIN BY DOING A HANDSTAND WITH ONE FINGER AND JUST CONTINUING TO MOVE WITHOUT SMASHING EGGS THAT ARE LINED UP ON THE GROUND TO ACQUIRE THE ULTIMATE LIGHTNESS. KACHUU SENBUSATSU IS THE ULTIMATE SECRET OUGI THAT APPLIES THE LAW OF KACCHUUSHIN"-FROM "SELF-STUDY CHINESE KENPOU", MINMEI PUBLISHING
WH...WHAT---!! TH...THAT GUY HAS JUMPED ONTO THE AVIATING FANS AND IS MOVING ON THEM ONE AFTER ANOTHER---!
TH..THIS ISN'T A HUMAN TECHNIQUE!! WH...WHAT EXACTLY HAS THIS COME TO---!
TH..THAT'S SURELY THE LAW OF KACCHUU SHIN!!
NUUU!! HE'S A DREADFUL MAN.....!
LET'S GO!!

NUU!!
GUHA
!!

TN:

Well . So far so good. Yeah.. I had to say that immediately because somehow I have this bad history when it comes to fights involving Rasetsu. Yeah, I'm probably still a bit weary after what happened with Date (the beginning was cool but it did fall apart), but Rasetsu fights always just get strange rather quickly.

The Gyuukou fight (well the later part) became rather good later on though.. and this fight with Sanen actually is probably the first to keep my attention from the Getgo. But then again, he hasn't done too much yet except being surrounded and hit by a bishonen flying around and jumping across fans.

Meanwhile, once again I just think Hakuhou has a future considering he survived and actually felt way more apologetic and carefree about the loss compared to a lot of opponents Otokojuku has faced. No hard feelings, it was just business in a crazy martial arts tournament like the Daibukai.

TN from page 36:
It's actually really hard to explain the whole existence of "Rasetsu" so simply as Momo mentions here but here's what I got in Indian lore (both in Buddhism and Hinduism), "Rasetsu" is in reference to the "Rasetsuten" or "Raksha", demons who live in hell and feed on the dead there are several demons who are tied to the Raksha, including the "Juurasetsu-nyo", ten daughters who became guardians of hell after becoming converted to Buddhism, generals who work alongside the Ashura and demons controlled by the Buddhist deity Bishamonten, which include typical hell demons like "Gozu" (which resemble cows) and "Mezu" (which resemble horses). Many times these demons appear to be working alongside Enma, the Japanese god of hell.

GUKU !!
RA... RASETSU ---!!
RA...RASETSU'S FINGER HAS BEEN LOPPED OFF!!
一子相伝最大奥義!!の巻

凶家最大奥義!!

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FUFFUFFU: KACCHUU SENBU-SATSU, THE ULTIMATE ART AMONG SECRET OUGI OF NUMEROUS CHINESE KENPOU!!
THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A PERSON WHO HAS TAKEN THIS TECHNIQUE AND SURVIVED!!
NOW, MANFULLY ADMIT DEFEAT!!

FU- THAT'S USELESS THING, BUT IT'S AS EXPECTED.
THERE ISN'T ANYTHING THAT CAN TAKE ON THE NIMBLENESS OF THIS MOVEMENT, JUMPING AROUND ON TOP OF FANS DANCING IN MID-AIR.
NUU!!
I'LL TAKE ANOTHER FINGER

HA
---!!
GU
!!
.....
!!
RA...
RASETSU
---!!
GUWA
!!

THOSE LIGHT-NESS AND SPEED AREN'T HUMAN TECH-NIQUES----!!
WOO, THIS...IS BAD----!! RASETSU IS GET-TING CHOPPED UP---!!
MA...MANJI MARU AND SENKUU!! WHY BOTH OF YOU BE SO CALM---!
YOUR ALLY IS OUT THERE IN HIS GREATEST DESPERATE CRISIS---!!
WITH THIS, HE'LL CERTAINLY GET KILLED, JUST AS THAT SANEN GUY SAID---!!
THE TRUE TERROR OF THE MAN CALLED RA-SETSU...!!
YOU TWO DON'T UNDER-STAND..!!
.....!?
TO..TOSHI KIHA'S ULTIMATE OUGI .....!?
HUH ...!?
AT THE ULTIMATE OUGI OF KYOU-KE TOUSHI KIHA...!!
YOU SHOULD OPEN YOU EYES AND WATCH CLOSELY.

FUFFUFFU: YOU'RE A GREAT PERSON, A MAN LIKE YOU!!
YOU'VE COVERED UP ALL OF YOUR VITALS EVEN WHILE TAKING THESE ATTACKS!!
GUFU!!
BUT WATCHING THIS WAY YOU DIE WITH ANY FURTHER BLOOD FLOWING MAKING IT SEEM PAINFUL AND CRUEL, CAN'T BE ENDURED BY ME!!
THE NEXT BLOW IS AT LEAST A SYMPATHETIC THING FOR BEING GIVEN TO INSTANTLY PUT YOU AT EASE
"AT LEAST A SYMPATHETIC THING"
THAT'S ONLY TO COVER THE TRUTH.
N!?

I SAY YOU'VE REACHED YOUR LIMIT IN YOUR AIR-STAYING TIME FOR THE ROTATING FANS AND ARE TAKING A GENERAL OFFENSIVE!!
.....
YOU'VE READ TO THAT POINT!!
IT'S AS YOU SAID, BUT NOTHING YOU CAN DO.
I'VE WAITED FOR THIS MOMENT!!
UOO----!! IT'S A CONCENTRATED ATTACK FROM ALL DIRECTIONS ----!
YOU'RE GOING TO DIE!!

!!
TAKE THIS!!

KYOU-KE SAIDAI OUGI: TOUSHI KIHA DOSUIRYUU!!
KASETSU IS FA...FALLING TO THE GROUND AIMING FOR SAIKEN WHILE ROTATING AT TREMENDOUS FORCE---!!
WH... WHAT!!

TN "DOSUIRYUU" = "GROUND-DRILLING DRAGON"

FU, THAT WAS REGRETFUL THAT WAS TRULY AN ATTACK FROM THE SKY WITH CONSIDERABLE POWER !!
BUT THERE ISN'T ANY MEANING IF IT CAN BE AVOID...!
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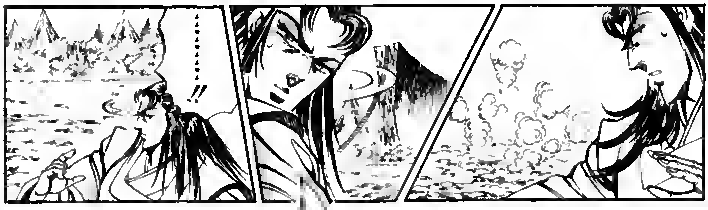
WHA!?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I CAN'T FEEL EVEN ANY INDICATION OF HIM ...!
WH...WHAT EXACTLY IS THIS.....! HI...HIS FORM HAS DISAPPEARED FROM THE BATTLEFIELD...!!

FROM NOW ON, THAT SANEN WILL COME TO TASTE A FREEZING TERROR .....!!
IT'S A DREADFUL TECH-NIQUE .....!!
HE..DISAP-PEARED..! RA..RASETSU WASN'T THERE WHEN HE FELL INTO THE GROUND..!!
WH..WHAT THE!? WH..WHAT'S GOING ON, TH..THAT'S ..!!
Y...YOU !!
I AM HERE... I'M RIGHT HERE .....!!
WHERE ARE YOU LOOK-ING!!
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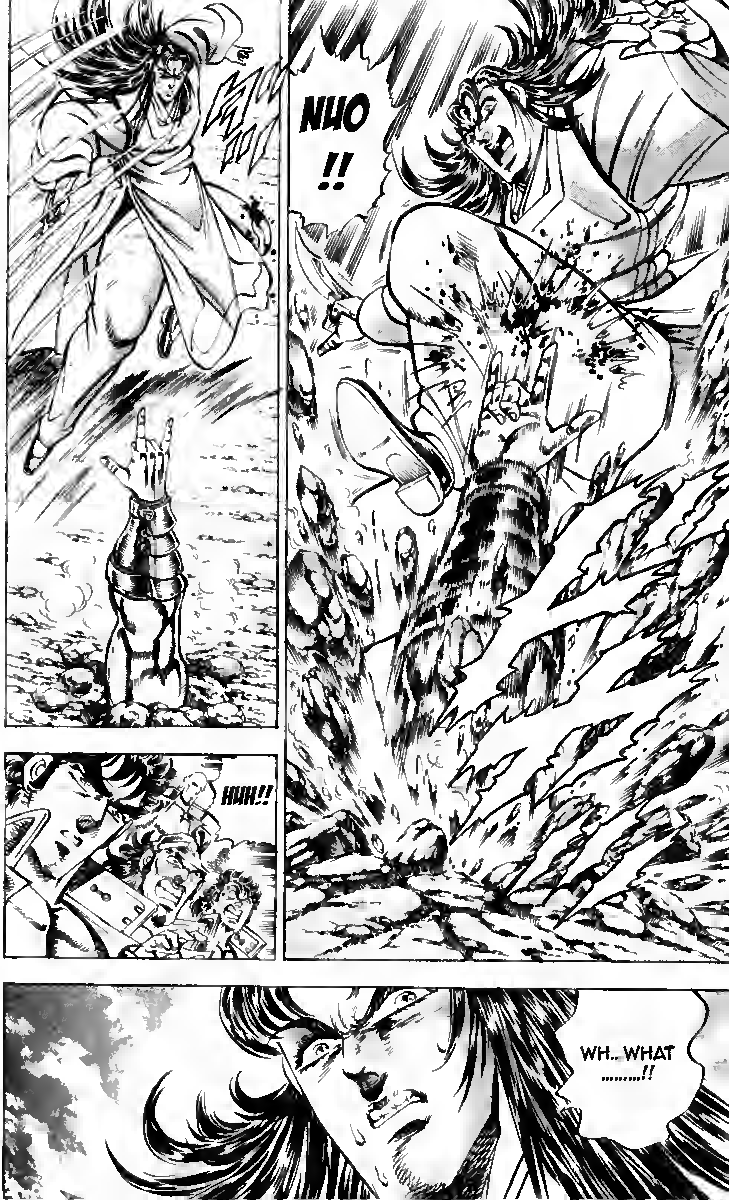
HA!!


NHO
!!
HUH!!
WH.. WHAT
.....!!

Y... YOU ---!!
THIS IS THE TRUE MEANING OF TOUSHI KIHA DOSUI-RYUU!!
DOSUI-RYUU IS AN APPARITION SAID TO LURK IN THE GROUND IN ANCIENT CHINESE LEGEND...!!

TN: MUST BE A LEGEND FROM MINMEI PUBLISHING...IT DOESN'T ACTUALLY EXIST

KU!!
YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE I AM, BUT YOUR MOVE-MENTS ARE UNDERSTOOD BY ME LIKE THEY'RE IN MY HAND!!
WHAT'S WRONG; WHERE'S YOUR COMPOSURE YOU SHOW EAR-LIER.....!! YOUR LOOKS AND EVEN YOUR EX-PRESSION HAS CHANGED!

OOH!!
NUGH!!

HE. HE KNOWS MY. MY MOVEMENT WITHIN THE GROUND ....
GUHA !!
AN AMAZ-ING TECH-NIQUE---!!
RIGHT: HE SHOW-ELS FORTH IN THE GROUND WITH SHARP STABS OF TOSHI KIHA AND IS ATTACKING HIM-----!!
FU. A GREAT TECH-NIQUE.
BUT YOU'VE FORGOT-TEN ONE IMPORTANT THING.

YOU CAN'T BE CONTINUING TO BREATHE WITH HOW YOU'RE UNDERGROUND LIKE THAT!!
I'LL WAITING IN THE AIR UNTIL YOU EMERGE SO YOU CAN BREATHE !!
I HAVE THIS KACCHUU SENBU-SATSU!!
UH!?
W_WHAT'S GOING ON.....!!
TH. THE BUOYANCY OF THE FANS HAVE.....!!

TH...THIS TOUSHI KIHA IS...!!
I KNOW THAT YOU WOULD ESCAPE INTO THE AIR.....!!
SO, I MADE HOLES IN ALL OF YOUR FANS.
!!
GUHA !!

TN:

I HAVE A NICKNAME FOR THIS CHAPTER- THE CHAPTER THAT TOOK TWO DAYS FOR ME TO TRANSLATE. WITHOUT GIVING TOO MUCH AWAY, I DID HALF OF IT YESTERDAY BEFORE BECOMING UNEXPECTEDLY BUSY...THEN FINISHED IT TODAY!

BUT IN A WAY, IT WAS SORT OF A FIGHT THAT WAS WORTH THE WAIT. CONSIDERING THAT I HAVE TO ADMIT THIS IS PROBABLY RASETSU'S BEST FIGHT. EVER. YES, THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING. RASETSU ACTUALLY HAS A FIGHT THAT PROBABLY HAS KEPT ME INTERESTED AND HAS YET TO FRUSTRATE ME WITH LITTER MATTERS REGARDING LENGTH (THE SECOND HALF OF HIS FIGHT WITH DATE) OR SEEMED TO BE RATHER OBVIOUS BEFORE A COOL FINALE (GYUUHOU OF GANDHARA).

I GUESS MY FEELINGS ARE OBVIOUS. IT ISN'T EVERY DAY YOU SEE A GUY DIVE UNDERGROUND WITH FINGERS, DIG AROUND AND THEN SMASH UP AND ATTACK AN OPPONENT LIKE. WELL, REALLY HARD TO SAY SINCE IT ISN'T REALLY A MOLE OR AN ANTLION .AND IT ISN'T REALLY A DEMON EITHER. BUT AGAIN IT WAS THE STRATEGY THAT MADE THIS CHAPTER WORK AS WELL AS IT DOES. ATTACKING SANEN'S FANS TO PREVENT HIM FROM RETREATING TO THE AIR IS THE ONLY WAY FOR HIM TO KEEP HIM ON THE GROUND .THOUGH IT'S HARD TO SAY IF THIS WILL END THE MATCH OR NOT CONSIDERING HE MAY HAVE ANOTHER TACTIC WAITING FOR US.

GUKU !!
HE...HE DID IT---!! RA...RASET SU---!
AMAZING TECHNIQUE: KYOU-KE'S ULTIMATE OUGI TOUSHI KIHA DOSHIRYUU!!
HE...TOOK DOWN THAT SANEN GAY FROM UNDERGROUND---!!
般若の面!!の巻

般若の面!!の巻

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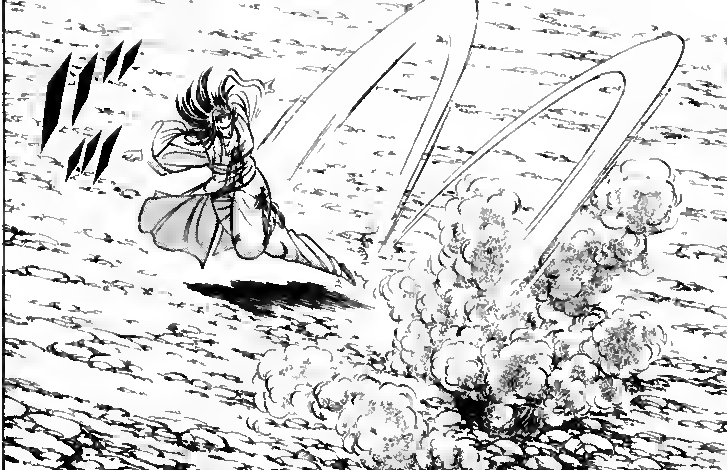
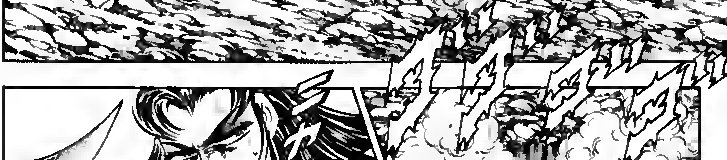
I'M SORRY
BUT YOU ALREADY LOST, WITH THE WOUND AND NOT BEING ABLE TO USE YOUR KOCCHUU SENRUSATSU TECHNIQUE.
IT'S SPLENDID YOU AVOIDED THE VITALS ON THE VERGE OF THAT BLOW NOW
NUUU
SAYING THAT TO SANEN, ONE OF THE THREE HEADS OF RYOUZANPAKU..!!
FU, RIDICULOUS ....!!
IF YOU MANLY ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR DEFEAT, I'LL SPARE YOUR LIFE
I DON'T WANT TO KILL A MAN OF YOUR EXTENT.

TH...THE REAL MATCH IS FROM HERE---!!
IT CANNOT BE HELPED .....!!

KYOU-KE SAIDAI OUGI: TOUSHI KIHA DOSHIRYUU!!
KU!!
TH... THERE IT IS---!!





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A-H, WHAT'S WRONG, MOMO!?
HE HAS A DEPRESSED EXPRESSION EVEN THOUGH RASETSU'S VICTORY CAN BE SEEN!?

HE CONCEALED HIS BODY UNDERGROUND AND MAY COME ATTACKING FROM ANYWHERE: THAT'S A TERRIFYING SUPER-SPECIAL TECH-NIQUE----!!
WI...WITH THAT, THIS MATCH IS COMPLETELY DECIDED---!!

WHAT...!?
WHA...
IT'S AS IF HE'S WAITING FOR RASETSU TO USE DOSUIRYUU...!!
WHAT'S WITH SANEN'S SMILE NOW...!?
THIS KYOU-KE DOSUIRYUU, SAID TO BE A SECRET AMONG SECRETS OF NUMEROUS CHINESE KENPOU!!
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND YET?
IN THAT CASE, I WILL COME TO CARVE MY NAME AS THE FIRST...!!
FU: IT'S THAT SO...!!
THERE NOW HAS NEVER BEEN A PERSON WHO HAS CHAL-LENGED THIS AND LIVED...!!
YOU SHOULD BE PREPARED!!

MU!!
FUFUFUFU: I'LL DEFEAT DOSUI-RYUU...!!

THE SMOKE-SCREEN IS IMMEDIATELY CLEARING BY THE WIND ON THE BATTLE-FIELD..!! HE SHOULD BE AWARE OF THAT
NO, YOU'RE WRONG.....!!
WH...WHAT----!! THAT SAMEN HAS PUT UP A SMOKESCREEN----!
HIS FORM CAN'T BE SEEN AT ALL WITH THIS SMOKE----!!
OOH, L..LOOK!! THE SMOKE-SCREEN IS CLEARING AS DATE SAID----!
IF...IF THAT IS DONE...!!
RI...RIGHT: HE'S OPPOSING THE UN-DERGROUND RAGETSU AND PLANNED TO HIDE HIS BODY WITH A SMOKESCREEN----!!

RYOUZANPAKU HIOUGI: KYO-UKAI MEN-SHOUSATSU!!
TN: "KYOUKAI MENSHOUSATSU" = "EVIL-MONSTER MASK-SLATE MURDER"
HE...HE'S JUST WEARING A HANNYA MASK!!
WRONG, LOOK CLOSER!!
SA...SAMEN HAS TRANS-FORMED INTO A MON-STER---!!
WH... WHAT IS TH...THAT ---!!

NOW, YOU SHOULD COME AT ME FROM ANY-WHERE, RA-SETSU.
YOU SPECIALLY PUT UP A SMOKE-SCREEN SO YOU COULD PUT ON THAT MASK.....!?
KYOUKAI MENSHOU-SATSU.....!? WHAT'S YOUR PRETENSE FOR THAT .....!?
THAT BLUFF CAN'T BE USED ON ME.
WELL, WHAT'S WRONG?
FUFFUFFU ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT THIS MASK..?!

HA!!

UMU .....
THERE'S SOMETHING STRANGE ABOUT SANEN'S MOVE-MENTS ....
HAVEN'T YOU RE-ALIZED IT, MOMO...!! IT'S STRANGE ...!!
HE'S JUST A TRANSVES-TITE GUY!! HE'S ONLY WORRY IF HIS FACE BEING WOUNDED EVEN AT THIS POINT!!
KAKKAKA, WHAT EXACTLY WAS HIS PLAN FOR THAT HANNYA MASK---!!
RI...RIGHT: GO, RAGETSU----!! FINISH THIS MATCH AT ONCE----!

I'VE HEARD THAT THE HANNYA MASK IS A SYMBOL FOR ANOTHER FACE THAT'S POSSESSED BY A PERSON.
AND THUS, IT IS A MASK OF DARKNESS THAT CAN NEVER BE EXPOSED TO PUBLIC NOTICE.....
STOP---!! TH...THAT SAMEN IS----!
DO... DON'T, RASETSU ---!!
IT... CAN'T BE, HE'S .....!!
HA!!

WITH THIS, IT'S OVER. I'VE COMPLETELY TAKEN YOUR BEHIND!!
SANEN, YOU LOSE!!
HUH!!
THE LOSS IS YOURS, RASETSU!!
FUFU: I'VE CAUGHT YOU...!!

GUHA!!

GUOO !!
RA... RASETSU ---!!
Y...YOU, TH...THIS IS.....!!
FU, YOU THOUGHT YOU COULD TAKE MY BACK, BUT YOU WERE MISFORTUNATE...
THIS IS THE TRUE AIM OF KYOUKAI MENSHOU-SATSU!!

THE ESSENTIAL OF KYOUKAI MENSHOUSATSU IS TO UNFASTEN THE JOINTS OF MY BODY, MAKING IT POSSIBLE TO MOVE EVEN IF I REVERSE BOTH MY SIDES.
THIS HAS COME TO THE END.
.....!!
I... MADE A MISTAKE .....!!
NUGUGU!!
AND THUS, YOU TOOK MY BACK AND I WAITED FOR YOU TO YIELD A MOMENT OF UNPREPAREDNESS
IN OTHER WORDS YOU WERE WAGING AN ATTACK FROM UNDERGROUND TO MY REVERSED OTHER SIDE
WITHIN THE SMOKESCREEN, I SIMULTANEOUSLY REVERSED MY KIMONO AND PUT THIS MASK ON THE BACK OF MY HEAD

SINCE THEN THERE HAS BEEN KYOUKAI MENSHOUSATSU, WHICH HAS PERFECTED IT BY DEVELOPING IT EVEN IN THE INVERSION OF THE JOINTS. INCIDENTALLY, THIS RUMOR WAS TRANSMITTED DOWN THE SILK ROAD AND CONVEYED TO WESTERN EUROPE, WITH "REVERSIBLE", WHICH MEANS FREELY REVERSING IN PRESENT ENGLISH, HAS AN ETYMOLOGY WITH THE NAME LI BASHIBURU. -FROM "BEYOND THE SILK ROAD", TAIKOUBOU BOOKS-
KYOUKAI MENSHOUSATSU. THE ORIGIN OF THIS TECHNIQUE, WHICH IS KNOWN AS ONE OF THE BEST SURPRISE ATTACK PLAN IN CHINESE KENPOU, WAS IN THE DECISIVE BATTLE OF KOUGEN BETWEEN LI BASHIBURU AND CHIN EIKOU IN THE CLOSING YEARS OF THE QIN DYNASTY FACING CHIN, WHO SURPASSED HIM IN ABILITY, LI MADE AN OPTICAL ILLUSION BY WEARING IN REVERSE ALL OF HIS ARMOR AND HELMET, AND FACING TO THE BACK. UNPREPARED, THE APPROACHING CHIN WAS DEFEATED BY A BLOW.
I DON'T HAVE A REASON TO LOSE..!!
I, WON'T LOSE..
RASETSU.. I WON'T FORGET YOUR NAME .....!!

TN:

THAT WAS STRANGE. LITERALLY STRANGE. THE ABILITY OF SANEN TO RIP HIS JOINTS APART, SWITCH THEM AROUND BACKWARDS, THEN WEAR A MASK TO MAKE HIS BACK SEEM LIKE HIS FRONT. EFFECTIVE BUT MERELY JUST STRANGE AND DISTURBED IN SOME SENSES OF THE MATTER.

I WAS A TAD CONFUSED BY HOW EXACTLY (OR MORE LIKE "WHAT EXACTLY") SANEN WAS DOING WHILE WAITING FOR RASETSU TO SCREW UP LEADING TO THE BIG BLOW AT THE END, BUT IT SEEMED MORE LIKE DECEIVING HIS MIND AND BODY TO MAKE HIM THINK THAT HE WAS MANEUVERING AND THEN SETTING HIM OPEN FOR THE BIG FAIL AT THE END.

NOT TOO MUCH ELSE TO SAY EXCEPT THAT THE RETURN OF TAIKOUBOU BOOKS ALSO NEARLY THREW ME OFF. (THEN AGAIN AT LEAST WE HAVE ANOTHER PUBLISHING SOURCE AGAIN..IT ISN'T LIKE MINMEI PUBLISHING CAN DISCOVER EVERY WEIRD CHINESE KENPOU QUIRK OUT THERE..THOUGH THEY DO TRY TO FIND NEARLY ALL OF THEM)

WH...WHAT IS THIS.....
THAT RA RASETSU HAS BEEN KILLED.....
W HY, SO BOTH OF YOU ARE ACTING CALM WITHOUT ONE CHANGE TO YOUR FACIAL EXPRESSION -----!!
AN AN ALLY OF THE SAME SHITENNOU IS DEAD-----!! CA CAN'T YOU SHED EVEN ONE TEAR FOR HIM-----!
HUH .!?
HIS FIGHT HASN'T ENDED YET..
WE BELIEVE IN HIM...
THE TORTURE OF HELL...!?
WHAT EXACTLY IS THAT...!?
BECAUSE HE'S THE IMMORTAL MAN WHO SURVIVED EVEN THE TORTURE OF HELL FOR THREE DAYS AND NIGHTS. !!
THAT'S BECAUSE HIS NAME IS RASETSU OF OTOKO JUKU'S SHITENNOU.....!!
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I GUESS THEY WERE LOSS NERVE BY WATCHING THE ATROCIOUS DEATH OF THEIR ALLY
WHO WILL BE MY NEXT OPPONENT?
FU, WHAT'S THE MATTER, OTOKOJUKU GENTLEMEN?
!!
WHA ...!!
HUH!!

必勝の執念!!の巻

CHP. 200: TENACITY FOR CERTAIN VICTORY!!

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MY FIST WENT THROUGH YOUR CHEST AND YET……!!
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I DON'T BELIEVE THIS…!!

I DON'T HAVE REASON TO LOSE TO THIS……!!
I..I WON'T LOSE ……!!

IT SEEMS I'M FIGHTING AN UNREASONABLE OPPONENT.
FU,
HE...HE'S ALIVE---!! AND HE'S STILL FIGHTING---!
UOO---!! RA...RASET SU DIDN'T DIE---!
"
WELL, THAT'S FINE: I'LL JUST SEND YOU BACK TO HELL ONCE MORE!!
TAKING OUT THAT DAGGER ..... !!
WHAT'S WITH THAT BEHAVIOR!?

NUN!!
THAT IS KYOU-KE SAIDAI OUGI: TOUSHI KIHA DOSHIRYUU!!
HOU

HA!!
FU! WHAT TENACITY FOR THIS MATCH.....!!
WHERE DO YOU STILL HAVE LEFT THAT PHYSICAL STRENGTH!!

WELL, YOU SHOULD COME AT ME FROM ANYWHERE.
WITH THAT DOSUIRYUU YOU'RE WAGING STRAINING THE LAST OF YOUR ENERGY AND STRENGTH ……!!
BUT THEN, I THINK YOU'RE DIGGING YOUR OWN GRAVE FOR ME!!
PLEASE TELL ME, SENPAI ……!!
ABOUT THIS THREE DAY AND NIGHT HELL TORTURE YOU SPOKE OF EARLIER ……!?
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE IT'S AS THAT SANEN GUY SAID NO MATTER HOW HE HAS DOSUIRYUU, RASETSU CAN'T WIN WITH THAT BO BODY…!!
RA… RASETSU ……!!

THIS WAS MANY YEARS BEFORE ALL OF YOU FIRST-YEARS ENTERED OTOKO-JUKU.....!!
OUR OTOKOJUKU FORCE HAD TAKEN OUR CAMP DEEP WITHIN ENEMY TERRITORY WHERE WE SHOULD HAVE SUBJUGATED OUR OLD ENEMY IN THE WESTERN COUNTRY...!!
FINE, YOU SHOULD LISTEN.
.....!!
BUT A PLATOON LEAD BY RASETSU WHICH HAD HEADED OUT FOR RECONNAISSANCE, HAD COME TO BE CAPTURED ALONG WITH RASETSU BECAUSE OF THE CARELESSNESS OF THE SUBORDINATES.

NUOO ---!!
GUGU!
FUFU, THAT'S QUITE A GOOD PLIGHT.
IF YOU LET YOUR HAND GO, YOUR SUBORDI-NATES WILL GO HEAD-LONG INTO THE ABYSS.
NUGA !!

EVERY POSSIBLE TORTURE TO THE LIMITS THAT CAN BE THOUGHT OF WERE REPEATED ON HIM...!!
HIS FINGERNAILS WERE RIPPED OFF AND HIS BODY WEAKENED BY BURNS...!!
UOO!!
N---!? HOW ABOUT IF YOU THOROUGHLY TELL US?
WHERE IS THE MAIN ARMY OF YOUR OTOKO-JUKU---!?

AND THUS, THAT TORTURE OF HELL CONTINUED FOR THREE DAYS AND NIGHTS ..... !!

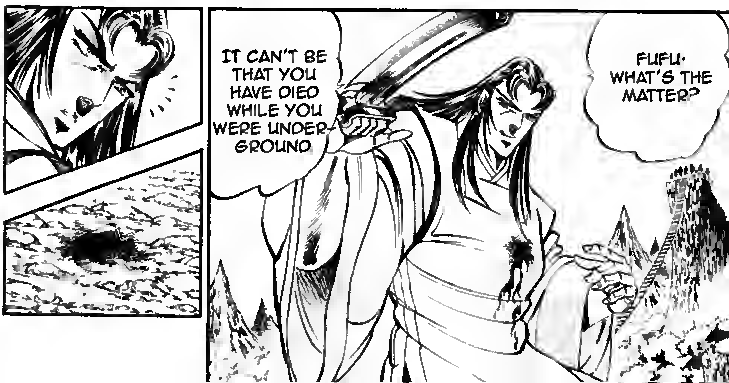
U G A A !!
WE DON'T MIND ANYMORE WHAT COMES OF OUR LIVES!!
RA, RASETSU-DONO, PL..PLEASE LET YOUR HANDS GO---!!
IF YOU LET GO, THOSE GUYS WILL---!!

KE, WAS HE KILLED ……!!
HE DIDN'T LET-TING GO OF THE ROPE UNTIL DEAD?
BUT HE DIDN'T LET GO OF THAT ROPE… FOR THREE DAYS AND NIGHTS……!!

!!
EVEN WHILE HIS CON-SCIOUS AND BODY HAD ALREADY ROTTED AWAY…!!
HE WAS WAITING FOR THAT MOMENT …!!
HEHE, NOTHING WE CAN DO AFTER ALL
THOSE MEN MADE SUCH JUDGMENTS WITH THEIR OWN COMMON SENSE AND NEGLI-GENCE WAS BORN THERE

HIE!!
AND, THEN, MANY HOURS LATER, WHAT WAS SEEN BY US WHO HAD RUSHED FOR HIS RESCUE...
IT WAS THE FORM OF HIM, WHO HAD ANNIHILATED THE ENEMY AND IN A NIOU STANCE IN A SEA OF BLOOD WHILE STILL NOT LETTING GO OF THE ROPE.....!!
WAS THE FORM OF RA-SETSU, WHO WAS SURELY SAID TO LIVE AND EAT DEMONS AS IN THE INDIAN MYTH.....!!

HE HAS A TENACITY TO HAVE INSATIABLE VICTORY TO THE EXTENT OF TRANSCENDING THE VERSE OF DEATH, EVEN FROM A DESPERATE SITUATION !!
THAT WAS THE MAN CALLED RASETSU OF THE OTOKO-JUKU SHITENNOU !!
BU.. BUT..
THAT'S AN AMAZING STORY .....!!


IT CAN'T BE THAT YOU HAVE DIED WHILE YOU WERE UNDERGROUND
FUFU· WHAT'S THE MATTER?

HE CAN'T HIDE WITH THIS BLOOD THAT IS RISING TO THE SURFACE!!
FUFU! PATHETIC..!! EVEN HIDING HIS BODY UNDERGROUND
DIE ---!!
RA-SETSU ---!!

I'VE CAUGHT YOU, SANEN!!
NA!!
Y...YOU !!

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WH...WHAT THE...!?

GUNU !!

ONE ARM. ....!! IT'S NOTHING IF IT'S FOR VICTORY .....!!

RI. RIGHT. TH. THAT THE REASON FOR THE DAGGER YOU POS- SESSED WHE. WHEN YOU DUG UN- DERGROUND !!
Y. YOU, TH. THAT ARM IS....!!

I TOO DIDN'T HAVE REGRET EVEN IN LOSING IF IT WAS TO YOU.....!!
THAT SPEECH CAN BE RETURNED TO YOU HERE.
I I HAVE NO REGRET IF I WERE TO LOSE TO A MAN OF YOUR EXTENT ... ...!!
Y...YOU'RE THAT KIND OF MAN, RASETSU.
TH..THAT IS THE MAN CALLED RASETSU OF OTOKO JUKU'S SHITEN-NOU.
TH.. THAT IS...

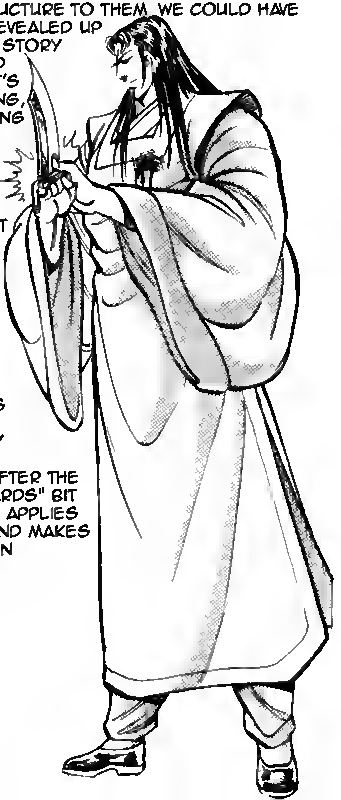
TN:

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S BEEN 200 CHAPTERS OF OTOKOJUKU ALREADY! AND IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT, OVER HALF OF THAT 200 HAS BEEN THE TENCHOU GORIN DAIBUKAI . AND WE'RE NOT EVEN AT THE FINALS YET! (YEAH ..AS I MAY HAVE MENTIONED BEFORE. IT'S JUST THAT LONG A TOURNAMENT)

YET IN THIS CHAPTER, SORT OF LIKE WHAT WE'VE BEEN GETTING A BIT LATELY WITH A FEW OTHER CHAPTERS, WE KEEP GETTING SOME CRUCIAL BACKSTORY THAT ACTUALLY SEEMS TO SHOW US MORE ABOUT THESE CHARACTERS .AND THAT IN SOME WAYS SHOW SOME THINGS THAT WE REALLY WISH THAT WE HAD SOONER. BELIEVE ME. I LOVED RASETSU'S FLASHBACK STORY IN THIS CHAPTER AND IN SOME WAYS IT WAS CRUCIAL TO UNDERSTANDING HOW THE MATCH WAS GOING TO END UP

BUT SOMEHOW, IT JUST. MAKES ME WONDER HOW THE SERIES COULD HAVE BEEN. IF OTOKOJUKU HAD A BIT MORE PLANNING (AND WASN'T A BUNCH OF FUN BUT RANDOM FIGHTS), WE COULD HAVE HAD THIS SOONER WITH A BIT MORE STRUCTURE TO THEM. WE COULD HAVE SEEN THESE ASPECTS SLOWLY REVEALED UP TO THE POINT WHERE WE GET THE STORY BEHIND IT AND THUS UNDERSTAND IT IN FULL. NO, I'M NOT SAYING IT'S WRONG WHAT THE SERIES IS DOING. I GUESS I'M JUST THINKING ALONG THE LINES OF A MODERN MANGA READER AGAIN INSTEAD OF JUST TAKING IT FOR WHAT IT WAS AT THE TIME

RASETSU'S FLASHBACK JUST FELT SO GRUESOME AND EPIC THAT I SORT OF WISH WE HAD A WAY TO KNOW ABOUT IT BEFORE IT WAS JUST "REVEALED" BY A FLASHBACK. AS FOR THE END OF THE SANEN FIGHT ITSELF... WELL, THAT WAS JUST A BRILLIANT MOVE ONCE AGAIN BUT ALSO SHOWS THE COSTS NEEDED TO SECURE VICTORY TEARING OFF HIS OWN ARM IN ORDER TO MAKE HIMSELF SEEM DEAD AND FINALLY APPROACH SANEN IS JUST AN APPROPRIATE WAY TO GET BACK AFTER THE WHOLE "JOINT REMOVING BACKWARDS" BIT SANEN USED LAST TIME. IT JUST APPLIES THE TRUE WAY OF OTOKOJUKU. AND MAKES ME WISH WE HAD MORE OF THAT IN ANOTHER ASPECT I GUESS



RA. RASETSU .....!!

HE...HE LOST ONE OF HIS ARMS .....!!
N... NOTH-ING...

NEXT WILL BE THE LAST ONE OF RYOUZANPAKU'S THREE BOSSESS, DON'T GET NEGLIGENT.
THIS IS NOTH-ING...!!

SENPAI .....!!

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CHP. 201: ENTER THE ELDEST BROTHER, RYOUKOU!!

H... HOW THIS HAPPEN...
FOR...FOR A PERSON EVEN LIKE SANEN-SAMA TO...TO LOSE..!!
!!

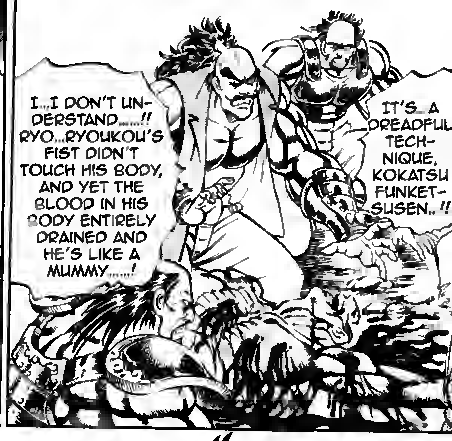
THAT FOOL .....!!
NOT JUST HOUKOU, EVEN YOU ASHAMED ME...!
RYO... RYOUKOU-SAMA---!!
AAH!!
THERE IS NO NEED TO MOURN FOR A PERSON LIKE THIS

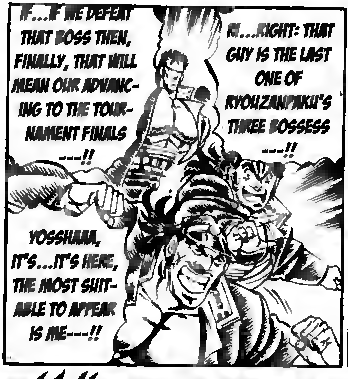
E...EVEN SO, THOSE GUYS FROM THAT OTOKO-JUKU...!!
WI...WITH THIS, ELDEST BROTHER RYOUKOU CAN'T BE NEGLIGENT
HO...HOW COULD HE DO THAT, TO HIS OWN BROTHER ...!!
HUH!!
ARE YOU SAYING THERE IS EVEN A CHANCE THAT I WILL LOSE TO THEM.....!!
WE...WELL, RYO...RYOU KOU-SAMA, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING .....!!
I..I WAS MERELY .....!!

TN: "KOKATSU FUNKETSUSEN" = "RUNNING-DRY ERUPTING BLOOD HAIL"

OTOKOJUKU.. EVERY ONE OF THEM WILL BE VICTIMIZED BY MY HANDS ALONE!!
YOU SHOULD WATCH .....!!

IN...IN TRUTH, THE DREAD ONE IS TH...THAT PERSON.....!!
YOU IDIOT.....!! THE...THE DREAD ISN'T JUST THE TECH-NIQUE.

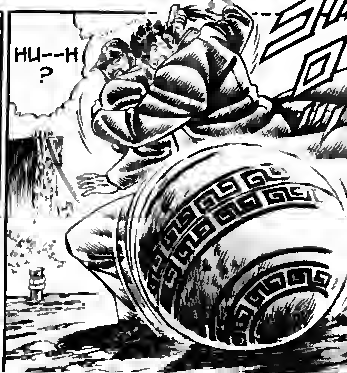

I...I DON'T UN-DERSTAND.....!! RYO...RYOUKOU'S FIST DIDN'T TOUCH HIS BODY, AND YET THE BLOOD IN HIS BODY ENTIRELY DRAINED AND HE'S LIKE A MUMMY.....!
IT'S...A DREADFUL TECH-NIQUE, KOKATSU FUNKET-SUSEN..!!


IF...IF WE DEFEAT THAT BOSS THEN, FINALLY, THAT WILL MEAN OUR ADVANC-ING TO THE TOUR-NAMENT FINALS ----!!
YOSSHAAA, IT'S...IT'S HERE, THE MOST SHIT-ABLE TO AFTEAR IS ME----!!
RI...IGHT: THAT GUY IS THE LAST ONE OF RYOUZANPAKU'S THREE BOSSESS ----!!

OOH!! L...LOOK ---!
HE'S DESCENDING TO THE BATTLEFIELD ALONE----!!

HERE'S WHERE YOU LEAVE IT TO ME!!

TH...THIS MYOU-CHIKURIN BALL .....!?
WH...WHAT IS THIS!?


HU--H ?

I WILL THOROUGHLY INSPECT HIM WITH THE ESSENTIALS OF DAIOUJOU-RYUU !!
WILL THAT BE FINE FOR THAT MAN!?
RAIDEN ....!!
IF...IF THAT'S SAID BY YOU, THEN EVEN WE CAN'T COMPLAIN BUT.
WHAT'S WITH THIS BALL...!!
WH... WHAT---!! RAIDEN OF OTOKOJUKU'S SANMEN-KEN---!

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THEN!!
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IT SEEMS HE'S GOING TO DO SOMETHING.
TH THAT RAIDEN, WHO ALWAYS HAS A FACE THAT'S LIKE HE'S CHEWING UP A BITTER BUG AND HASN'T CHANGED HIS FACIAL EXPRESSION ONCE, IS IS LAUGHING
DID DID YOU SEE WH .WHAT WAS THAT NOW .....!!
THE INNER DEPTHS OF THAT MAN CAN'T BE MEASURED EVEN BY US.
RAIDEN, THE MAN WHO HAS MASTERED THE SECRETS OF DAIOUJOU-RYUU, WHICH POSSESSES THE OLDEST HISTORY IN CHINESE KENPOU AND GOVERNS KNOWLEDGE OF ALL KENPOU IN THIS LAND AND OUR SANMENKEN
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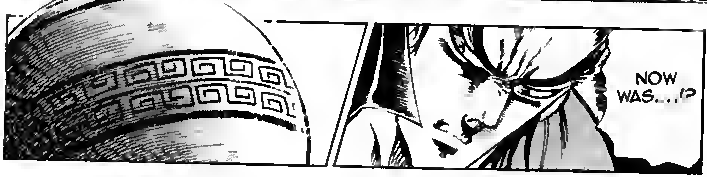
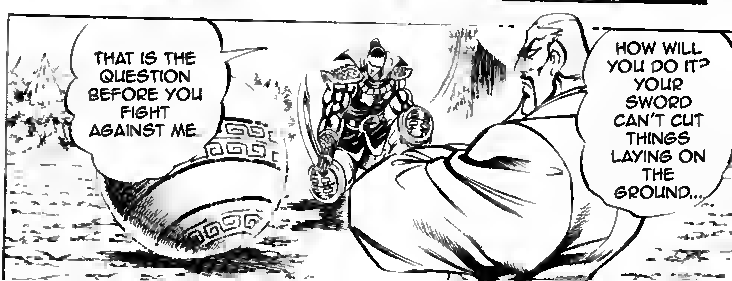
WHAT'S YOUR PRETENSE WITH THAT BALL... !?
MY NAME IS RAIDEN OF OTOKO JUKU'S SANMEN-KEN
GIVE YOUR NAME!! THAT IS THE ETIQUETTE OF A MATCH.

FIRST I'LL CHOP UP THIS EYE-SORE BALL!!
I DON'T NEED TO.
WHY MUST I GIVE MY NAME TO SOMEONE WHO WILL INSTANTLY DIE!!

NU!?


NOW WAS...!?


THAT IS THE QUESTION BEFORE YOU FIGHT AGAINST ME
HOW WILL YOU DO IT? YOUR SWORD CAN'T CUT THINGS LAYING ON THE GROUND...

WH... WHAT!! WHAT WAS THAT--!
IT...WAS A HALLU-CINATION!! TH...THE BALL APPEARED TO SEEM TO MOVE BY ITSELF AND AVOID RYOUKOU'S SWORD---!
NUN!!

KUU!!

TH...THIS ISN'T SOME HALLUCINATION AFTER ALL!! TH...THAT BALL IS MOVING ON ITS OWN AND AVOIDING RYOUKOU'S SWORD----!
HOO!! WH... WHAT'S GOING ON---!

IT'S STILL EARLY TO BE SURPRISED FROM HERE WILL BE THE TRUE MEANING OF THE BALL!!
NA!!
NUU!!

THIS IS DAIOUJOU-RYUU KYOKUOUGI: HANRYUU SOUTAI!!
WITH THIS, YOUR PEACE-FUL DEATH IS CERTAIN!!
A...ANOTHER RAIDEN HAS APPEARED ---!!
FR...FROM INSIDE THE SPLIT BALL...!!
WH... WHAT---!!
TH... THAT'S--!

TN: A COUPLE NOTES:
1. "KYOKUOUGI" = "ULTIMATE/EXTREME SECRET"
2. "HAN-YUU-TOUTAI" = "TUB-FLAP PANDOBIES"

TN:

YEAH. TWO RAIDENS. AS IF ONE CONTAINER OF ANCIENT AWESOMENESS IS ENOUGH. IT WAS STRANGE THOUGH THAT THIS "OTHER RAIDEN" HAD TO HIDE AWAY IN A BALL BUT AT LEAST IT SHOWS WHY RYOUKOU HAD SUCH A HARD TIME WITH IT, EVEN IF THERE REALLY WASN'T ANY MEANS OR MEASURES TO SHOW HOW RAIDEN #2 WAS ABLE TO FEEL OR SEE ANY OF HIS OPPONENT'S ATTACKS TO ALLOW TO AVOID ALL OF THEM.

THOUGH SOMEHOW WHILE I DON'T HAVE TO WORRY FOR RAIDEN (OR HIS CLONE) JUST YET, THERE IS THE GRUESOMENESS OF WHATEVER RYOUKOU HAS THAT HE PULLED ON THE OTHER GUY. THOUGH I DO FIND IT SAD THAT SOMETIMES THESE CHARACTERS ON THE VILLAIN SIDE GET SO ARROGANT THAT THEY DON'T EVEN ALLOW FOR THE POTENTIAL QUESTION OF "WHAT IF WE DON'T WIN" .BUT HEY, EGOS GET KNOCKED DOWN. (AND HOPEFULLY RAIDEN 1 AND 2 WILL DO THAT!)

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I...I DON'T BELIEVE THIS---!! RA...RAIDEN HAS BECOME A PAIR---!
WH...WHAT!! DAIOUJOU-RYUU KYOKU-OUGI: HAARYUU SOUTAI!

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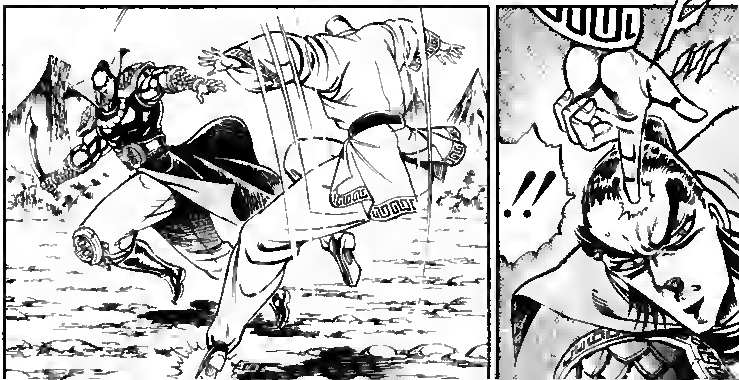
CHP. 202: THE TWO RAIDEN!!

FIRST MY CLONE, IN OTHER WORDS, THIS SHADOW, WILL BE YOUR OPPONENT!!
NOW, YOU SHOULD COME RYOUKOU .....!!
BUT ARE YOU DECEIVING ME....
THAT'S A HILARIOUS SHADOW .....!!

BY USING A TRICK ----!!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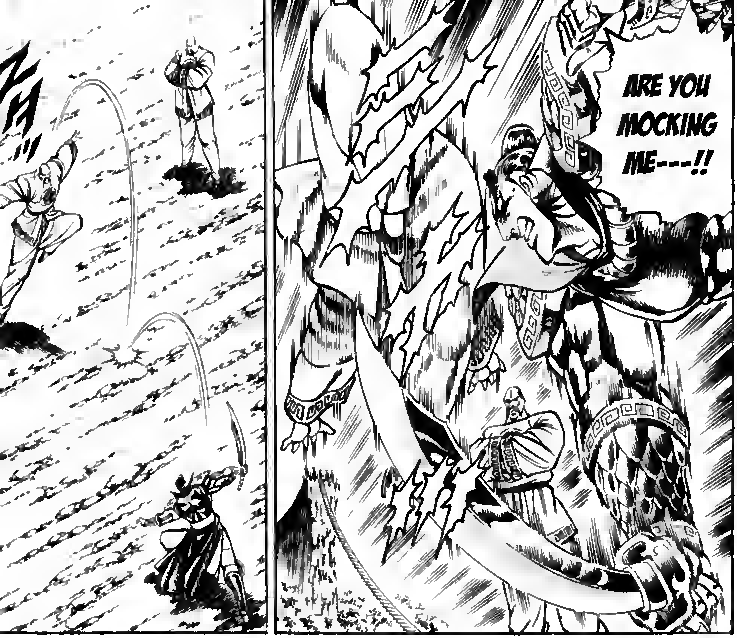
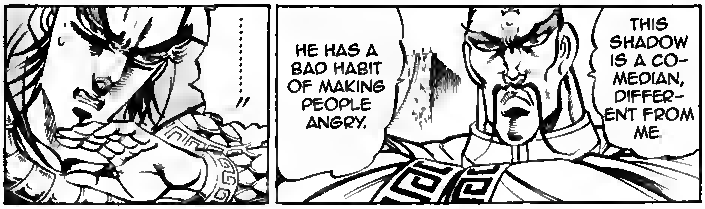
TH .THE V-SIGN OF VICTORY .....!?
HUH!? WH .WHAT IS THIS NOW.....!!
NUH !!

HUH!!

Y...
YOU!!


ARE YOU MOCKING ME---!!


THIS SHADOW IS A COMEDIAN, DIFFERENT FROM ME
HE HAS A BAD HABIT OF MAKING PEOPLE ANGRY,
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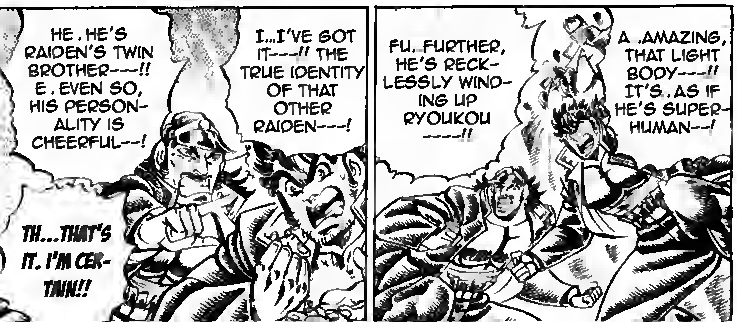

HE..HE'S RAIDEN'S TWIN BROTHER---!! E..EVEN SO, HIS PERSONALITY IS CHEERFUL---!
I...I'VE GOT IT---!! THE TRUE IDENTITY OF THAT OTHER RAIDEN---!
TH...THAT'S IT..I'M CERTAIN!!
FU..FURTHER, HE'S RECKLESSLY WINDING UP RYOUKOU ----!!
A..AMAZING, THAT LIGHT BODY---!! IT'S..AS IF HE'S SUPERHUMAN---!

SO..SO THEN, WH..WHAT EXACTLY IS HE ....!?
WE HAON'T HEARD ABOUT THAT AND THAT'S UNBE-LIEVABLE NO MATTER HOW YOU THINK ABOUT IT!!
THAT'S.. STUPID ...
BU..BUT .....!!
IT'S AS IF HE DOESN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT RYOUKOU'S FIERCE SWORD-PLAY!!
EVEN SO, THAT ISN'T ORDINARY TAIJUTSU.
KUU!!

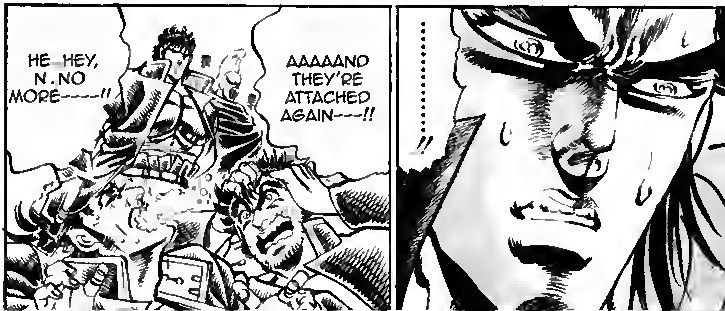
NO MATTER HOW YOU BRANDISH YOUR SWORD, IT'S USELESS.
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO SEE THROUGH THAT SHADOW'S AGILITY!!
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN RUN AWAY FOREVER FROM ME WITH JUST AGILITY!!

I'VE GOT YOU ---!!

RA... RAIDEN ---!!
N...NO, RAIDEN #2 HAS BEEN CUT IN HALF---!!
FU, THAT'S THE PRICE TO MOCK ME!

THE SHADOW OF A MOON REFLECTED ON A LAKE CAN NEVER BE CUT....!!
WELL, IS THAT SO? A SHADOW IS A SHADOW ...!
N---?
NOW, NEXT IS YOUR TURN TO BE LIKE THAT.
WITH THIS, THE SHADOW IS DEAD
!!

HA!!
IM-
POS-
SIBLE
...!
WH...
WHAT!!
WOO!! WH...
WHAT'S
GOING ON!
THE UPPER AND
LOWER HALF THAT
WERE CUT ARE
MOVING
AGAIN---!!


HE-HEY, N-NO MORE----!!
AAAAAND THEY'RE ATTACHED AGAIN---!!
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"

IS PLAY-TIME OVER?
WELL, SHADOW, NOW IT SEEMS YOU PLAN ON LAUNCHING YOUR ATTACK!!
.....!!
THIS ISN'T BLOOD....!! IT'S MERELY RED DYE .....!
AND THIS HAIR .. ....!!
FU, DOING THIS TO ME .!! NOW I KNOW, THE TRUE IDENTITY OF THAT MON-STER
!?
IT..CAN'T BE. THE TRUE IDEN-TITY OF THE SHADOW IS...!!

I'VE AL-
READY KNOW
YOUR TRUE
IDENTITY!!
IT'S
USE-
LESS.
EVEN YOUR
AGILITY
CAN'T BE
USED NOW!!

!!
FU, YOU FALTER TO FIRE AFTER ALL!!
NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU PILE ON YOUR TRAIN-ING, YOU CAN'T HIDE YOUR INSTINCT!!
THIS IS YOUR TRUE IDENTITY ---!!

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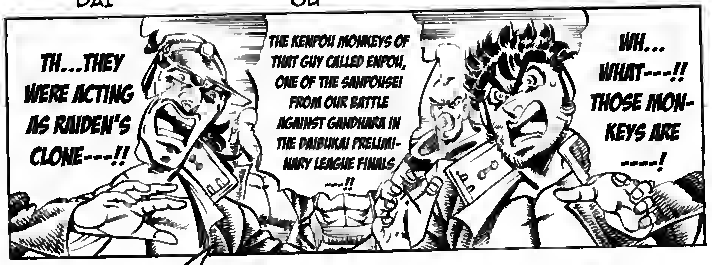
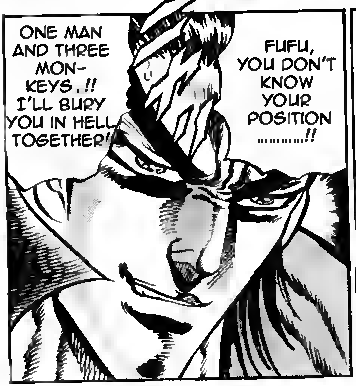
JOU


TH...THEY WERE ACTING AS RAIDEN'S CLONE---!!
THE KENPOU MONKEYS OF THAT GUY CALLED ENPOU, ONE OF THE SANPOUSE! FROM OUR BATTLE AGAINST GANDHARA IN THE FUBUKU PRELIMINARY LEAGUE FINALS ---!!
WH... WHAT---!! THOSE MONKEYS ARE ----!


ONE MAN AND THREE MONKEYS.!! I'LL BURY YOU IN HELL TOGETHER!!
FUFU, YOU DON'T KNOW YOUR POSITION .....!!

THIS TIME, I MYSELF WILL BE YOUR OPPONENT!!
UNTIL NOW WAS JUST A GREETING!!

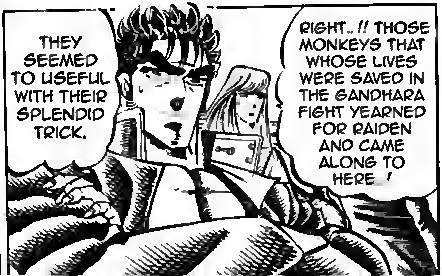
TN:

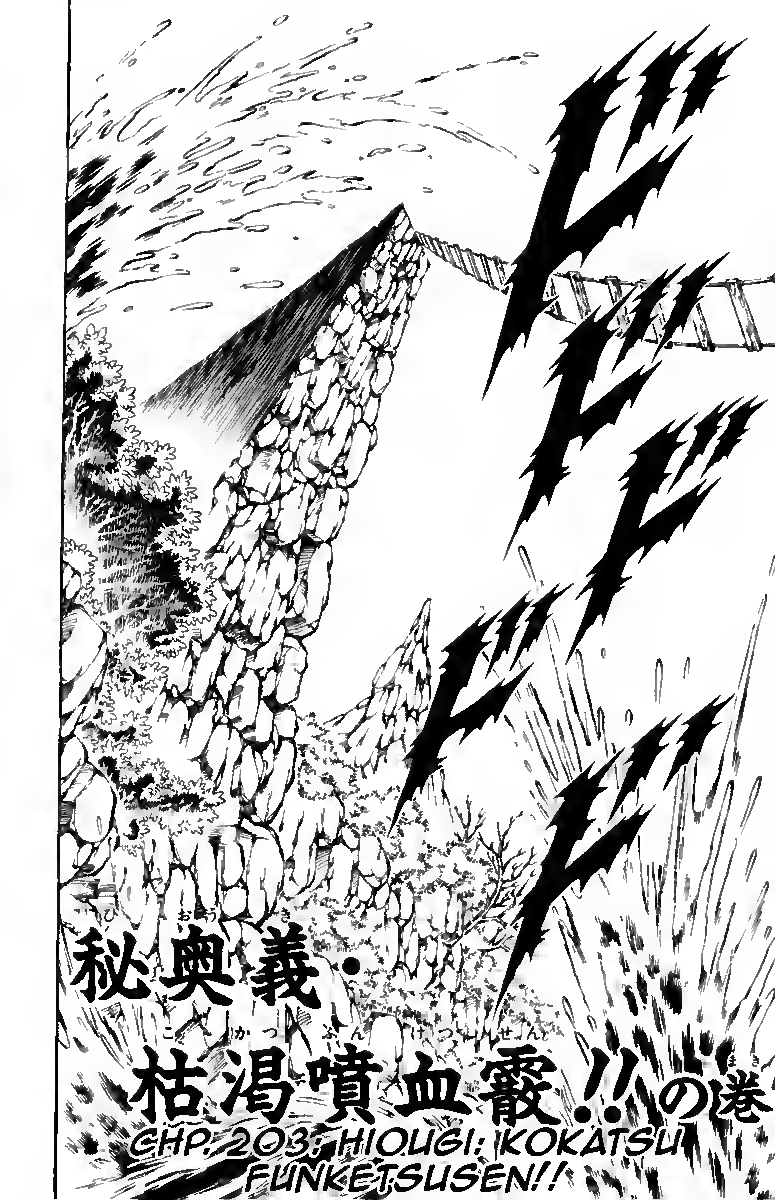
DIDN'T I TELL YOU WAY BACK. MONKEYS . ARE . AWESOME AND EVEN BETTER RAIDEN HAVING . MONKEYS IS . AWESOME!! CONSIDERING THAT HE DID TREAT THE TRIO OF SIMIANS WAY BACK AROUND THE END OF HIS FIGHT WITH ENPOU, IT WOULD POSSIBLY MAKE SENSE THEY WOULD GAIN A BIT OF RESPECT TO WORK WITH HIM, BUT TO SEE THEM FIGHTING ON THE BATTLEFIELD, MOCKING RYOUKOU AND MAKING WEIRD POSTURES AND FACES LIKE RAIDEN NEVER WOULD WAS HILARIOUS

I THINK THE MAIN PURPOSE WAS TO JUST RILE RYOUKOU...BUT IT DID IT'S JOB AND HOPEFULLY WILL MAKE HIS JOB A LOT EASIER (THOUGH THERE IS STILL...THAT ATTACK . AND WHO KNOWS IF RAIDEN OR MONKEY WILL GET OUT OR AVOID THAT) BUT HEY, I CAN'T SAY ANYTHING MORE THE MONKEYS ARE BACK ON OTOKOJUKU'S SIDE!

秘奥義・
枯渇噴血霰!!の巻
KIK!!
——!!
KIII
——!!
UKK!
——!!

TH, THEY'RE QUITE OUTRA-GEOUS MONKEYS.


THEY SEEMED TO USEFUL WITH THEIR SPLENDID TRICK.
RIGHT..!! THOSE MONKEYS THAT WHOSE LIVES WERE SAVED IN THE GANDHARA FIGHT YEARNED FOR RAIDEN AND CAME ALONG TO HERE!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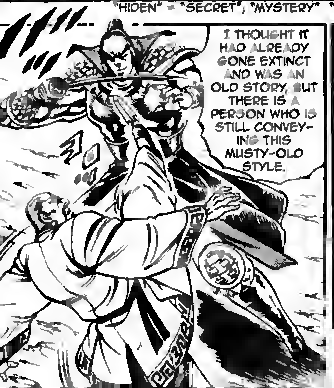
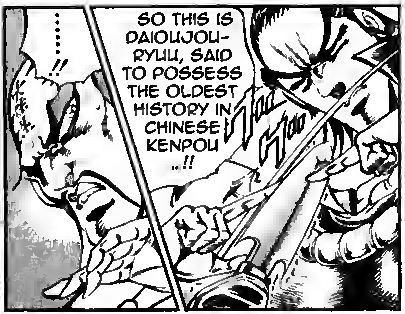
CHP.203: HIOUGI: KOKATSU FUNKETSUSEN!!

YOUR CRIME OF MOCKING ME IS HEAVY.
AFTER I DEFEAT YOU, EVEN THESE THREE WON'T BE ABLE TO REVIVE YOU!!
COME!!

DAIOUJOU-
RYUU:
KAKUSOKU
KAIKEN!!

"HIDEN" = "SECRET", "MYSTERY" "SHISAKUJIN" = "BLADE-CONFUSING FINGER"


I THOUGHT IT HAD ALREADY GONE EXTINCT AND WAS AN OLD STORY, BUT THERE IS A PERSON WHO IS STILL CONVEYING THIS MUSTY-OLD STYLE.



DO YOU THINK A THING OF THAT DEGREE CAN BE USED ON ME---!!

I MUST VICTIMIZE EVERY ONE OF YOUR ALLIES.
I DON'T HAVE TIME TO CONCERN MYSELF ANY FURTHER WITH YOU ANYMORE
HE...HE COMPLETELY SAW RAIDEN MOVEMENT ---!!
TH...THAT GUY DID THAT---!!
KII!!

IF IT'S COME TO THIS, THEN I MUST SHOW YOU!!
THIS RYOUKOU'S ULTIMATE SPECIAL TECHNIQUE!!
!!
RYOUZAN-PAKU HIOUGI: KOKATSU FUNKETSU-SEN!!

GU!!
NUA!!
!?

WH...WHAT IS...THAT ---!!
BL...BLOOD IS GUSHING LIKE A WATER FOUNTAIN FROM RAIDEN'S ARM---!!
OOOH ---!!
NUGUGU, TH...THIS IS.....!?
WH.. WHAT .....!!
THE BLOOD THAT'S WITHIN YOUR BODY WILL FLOW TO EXHAUSTION WITHOUT LEAVING A DROP, MAKING YOU BECOME LIKE A MUMMY AND DIE!!
FUFU IT'S USELESS NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO, YOU CAN'T STOP THAT BLOOD THAT'S FLOWING OUT!!

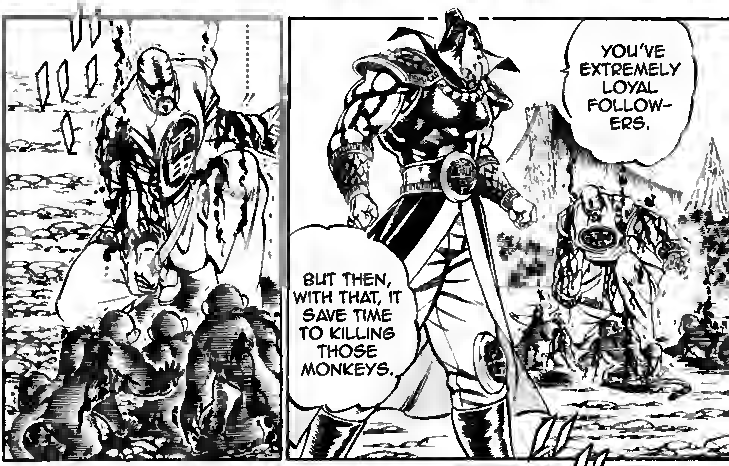
THAT IS THE TERROR OF THIS KOKATSU FUKETSUSEN!!
GUFU!!

HOW'S THAT, EVEN YOUR CONSCIOUS IS ALREADY COMING TO DIM.
FUFFUFFU, DID YOU KNOW A PERSON WILL COME TO DIE WHEN THEY LOSE 1/3 OF THE BLOOD OF THEIR ENTIRE BODY!!
WH...WHAT EXACTLY WILL HAPPEN IF HE CAN'T STOP THAT BLOOD THAT'S COMING OUT!!
UOO, RA...RAIDEN!! HE'S BLEEDING INCREDIBLY AGAIN!
!?
YOUR DES-TINY HAS BEEN DECIDED!!
BU. BUT I DON'T SEE ANYTHING ...!?
I. I DON'T UN-DERSTAND !! HE. HE MUST BE STRIKING ME WITH SOMETHING !

HUH!!
Y...YOU GUYS...!!
GUKII ---!!
WH...WHAT---!! THE MONKEYS JUMPED OUT AND PROTECTED RAIDEN FROM THAT MYSTERY TECHNIQUE----!

I'M..HAPPY FOR YOUR FEELINGS, BUT E..EVEN IF I AVOIDED THE ATTACK THIS TIME ....
YOU. FOOLS .....!!
WH..WHAT .....!?
KIKII .....!!
MUH!!
GU KIKII !!

TH...
THIS IS
.....!!


YOU'VE EXTREMELY LOYAL FOLLOWERS.
BUT THEN, WITH THAT, IT SAVE TIME TO KILLING THOSE MONKEYS.

WHAT ARE YOU STIRRINGLY SPEAKING TO THOSE MONKEY?
TH...THANKS TO YOU THREE, I UNDERSTAND THE TRUE IDENTITY OF HIS TECHNIQUE .....!!
RI. RIGHT... I...I THANK YOU,

YOUR ACT OF BETTING YOUR LIVES WAS NOT FUTILE!!
DIE!! THIS WILL END IT---!
NU!!
HA!!

FUFU. WE'VE REACHED THIS POINT AND YOU'RE STILL DOING WICKED MISCHIEF!!
MU!!
A..ARE THESE THE THINGS YOU'RE LOOKING FOR...!?
!?
!!

TN: "FUNKETSU NEEDLES" OR "FUNKET-SUSHIN" = "ERUPTING-BLOOD NEEDLES"

NAMELY, THE "TANGERINE CATHETER", WHICH IT'S CALLED IN MODERN MEDICINE, IS AN OBJECT OF MANY THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO. AND THERE ISN'T ANYTHING AS WONDROUS IN EXISTENCE AT THE CUTTING EDGE OF MODERN MEDICAL TREATMENT THEORY. -FROM "ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ANCIENT ASTONISHING MEDICAL SCIENCE OF CHINA", MINMEI PUBLISHING
FUNKETSU NEEDLES... A MEDICAL UTENSIL USED IN ANCIENT CHINESE MEDICINE. DRIVING THIS INTO THE BODY, IT CAN EVACUATE IN GREAT NUMBER TO OUTSIDE THE BODY THE BAD BLOOD AND PUS WITHIN THE BODY BY UTILIZING THE DIFFERENCE IN OSMOTIC PRESSURE POSSESSED IN BLOOD
KUK-KUKKU; CLEVER MONKEYS.
SO THEN, I'LL LOP OFF THEIR HEADS WITH THIS SWORD!!
BECAUSE OF THEM, I COULD COMPLETELY SEE THE TRUE IDENTITY OF YOUR KOKATSU FUNKETSUSEN
MO... MONKEYS POSSESS TEN TIMES THE MOVEMENT VISION OF HUMANS

NA!!
H...HOW IS IT: TO TASTE YOUR OWN- TECHNIQUE .....!!
WHAT...I THREW AWAY WAS JUST THE TUBE...!!
HAAA ----!!

TN:

I'VE MENTIONED BEFORE ABOUT THE "OVER-PREPARATION" THAT MIYASHITA DOES IN HIS MATCHES AND HOW THEY SEEM TO EITHER HELP A MATCH (SEE JAKI'S CHARM TO MOMO BEFORE THE FINAL PHARAOH SPHINX FIGHT) OR MAKE IT SEEM RATHER CONVOLUTED (AKASHI WITH MOMO'S SWORD RECENTLY) YET HERE... IT JUST MAKES SENSE ONCE AGAIN IN HOW IT WAS STRUCTURED AND WHAT MIYASHITA WAS PULLING.

BY DEMONSTRATING THE GLASS NEEDLES (WITHOUT SHOWING THEM), THEN HAVING RAIDEN BRING BACK HIS MONKEYS HE GOT FROM ENPOU (WHO CAN SEE THE THINGS BETTER THAN HE CAN), IT JUST MADE EVERYTHING WORK IN A GOOD BATTLE STRUCTURE JUST HOW IT WAS INTENDED. HECK, CONSIDERING WE KNEW THE DANGER OF "MEDICAL NEEDLES" BEFORE (THANK HIEN FOR THAT), BEING MADE OF GLASS JUST MADE THEM MORE DANGEROUS BOTH IN THEIR SHARPNESS AND IN THEIR POTENTIAL FOR BEING SUPER-HARD TO SEE.

BUT HEY, WITH RAIDEN FINALLY CATCHING ON, THIS MATCH MAY FINALLY BE IN THE BAG. .THOUGH SOMETHING TELLS ME WE CAN'T QUITE COUNT RYOUKOU OUT YET

Y..YOU, THAT'S A CLEVER TRICK.....!!
NU GU OO ---!
男と男の信義!の巻

WITH THIS, THE MATCH IS 50/50 .....!!
N...NO, RAIDEN IS BEARING EXTREMELY DEEP WOUNDS AS WELL

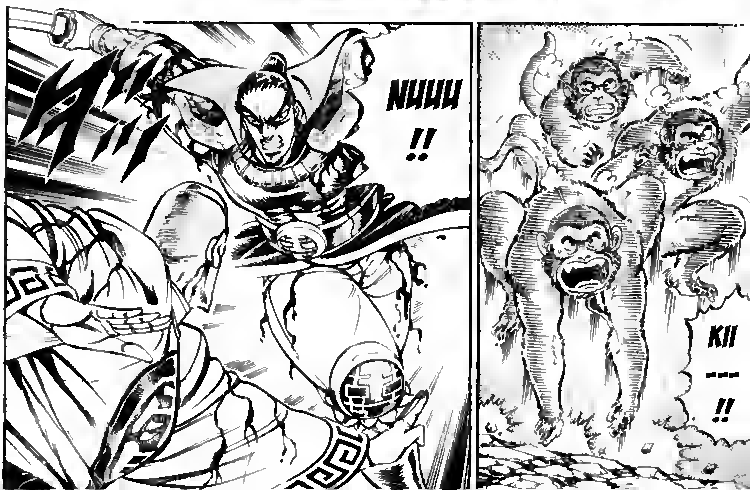
IT'S...A GREAT TURNAROUND WITH THIS BACKHANDING OF RYOUKOU'S SPECIAL TECHNIQUE----!!
HE...HE DID IT----!! AMAZING; AS EXPECTED, RAIDEN---!

男と男の信義！

CHP. 204: MAN-TO-MAN FAITH-の巻

BU..BUT, YOU CAN'T DEFEAT ME WITH THIS
NUN!!
THAT IS WHAT'S CALLED "NEEDLESS ASSIS-TANCE".
WH. WHAT'S WRONG!? WO..WON'T YOU TAKE OUT THE FUNKETSU NEEDLES THAT WERE BURIED IN YOUR BODY?
EV..EVEN WITH THAT, YOU AL-READY HAVE LOST EVEN YOUR WILL-POWER!!

Y...YOU'RE THE FIRST THAT HAS HEATED ME TO THIS POINT, RAIDEN.!!
IN ADDITION, I CAN'T QUIET THIS ANGER..!! I'LL PRESENT THE WORST DEATH TO YOU TOGETHER WITH THOSE ANNOYING MONKEYS!!
NOW, YOU SHOULD COME!!


NUUU !!
KII ---- !!

TN: "SATTAIJUTSU" = "KILLER TAIJUTSU" OR "KILLER MARTIAL ART"

NU!!
KI!!
FU, THIS IS DAIOUJOU-RYUU'S SECRET TECHNIQUE ...!!
THAT'S FUNNY. I'D SAY THIS IS MERELY SHINKEN SHIRAHA-DORI.
THE STRANGE-NESS OF DAIOUJOU-RYUU SATTAIJUTSU WILL HAVE SUCH MEANING TO YOUR MUSCLES FROM A STRONG BREATHING TECH-NIQUE!!

TN: "CHOURYOU KINDAN" = "BULGING-HILLS MUSCLE-BULLETS"

GUWA !!
WH... WHAT ---!!
THE...THE FUNKETSU NEEDLES BURIED IN RAIDEN'S BODY HAVE FLOWN OUT AND GONE THROUGH RYOUKOU'S BODY----!!
KYA!!
KYA!!

MUH!!
BE PRE-PARED!!
NOW THERE'S NOTHING BUT A PEACEFUL DEATH FOR YOU!!
DAHA!!
IT SEEMS I MADE LIGHT OF YOUR POWER.
B...BUT, I SEE YOUR WEAKNESS!!
!!

IT'S THEM!!
KII!?
GI KII --- !!
NA!!

KIKI ---!!
DON'T MOVE ---!!
Y...YOU, WHAT ARE YOU---!!?
NU!!
NUU! Y...YOU .....!!
!!
IF YOU LOVE THEM, THEN DON'T MAKE EVEN A STEP
IF I LET MY HAND GO, THOSE THREE WILL INSTANTLY BE SWALLOWED BY THE RAPIDS AND DIE.

IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT WILL HAPPEN WITH THOSE MONKEYS!!
KWAHHAHA, BUT HE IS AN IDIOT ---!!
RIGHT: IF THEY GET KILLED, THEY GET KILLED!! WITH THAT, RAIDEN WILL COME TO NOT HAVE THE BAGGAGE AND IT WILL BE A RELIEF FOR HIM---!
HE...HE KNOW THAT HE CAN'T WIN IF HE FOUGHT AND HAS DESPERATELY TAKEN THOSE MONKEYS AS HUMAN...NO, MONKEY HOSTAGES----!!!
WH...WHAT: THAT KYOUKOU, WHAT IS HE THINKING ---!!
KIII ---!!
HE...HE ISN'T THAT SORT OF MAN...!! TH...THAT MAN CALLED RAIDEN
Y, YOU'RE WRONG
HUH !?

TAKE THIS ---!!
I CAN SET LOOSE THIS CHAIN QUICK-LY!!
IT'S IMPOS-SIBLE FOR YOU TO DIS-COVER A CHANCE FOR A COUNTER-ATTACK FROM THIS SITUA-TION
GAFU!!
FUFU: RIGHT, YOU'RE THAT SORT OF MAN.
WH---WHAT---!! RA...RAIDEN DIRECTLY TOOK THOSE ATTACKS NOW WITHOUT TAKING A STEP---!
YOU...YOU FOOL---!! HE OBEY THAT MAN ORDER BECAUSE OF MONKEYS--!

GEHA!!
FU, BE RE-LIEVED.
IF JUST YOU ARE DEFEATED, THEN I'LL SECURE THESE THREE LIVES
YO..YOU MUST KEEP THOSE WORDS .....!!
AAH!!
GUKII ----!!

WITH THIS, EVEN MY MOOD WILL COME TO BE A BIT CLEARED ----!!
DOHOO ---!!
CO...COUNTER AND FIGHT HIM----!! RAIDEN---!
WH...WHY DOES HE NEED TO TAKE IT THIS FAR ----!!
I...HAVE MAN-TO-MAN FAITH...!!
I...I DON'T HAVE REASON TO BREAK THAT.....!!
WHA.....!! MAN-TO-MAN FAITH.....!
IT...CAN'T BE, HE...HAS IT WITH ENPOU, THE ORIGINAL MASTER OF THOSE MON-KEYS.....!!

I I HAVE A REQUEST
P P PLEASE HOLD ON, RAIDEN-DONO

.....!!
CAN'T YOU PLEASE TAKE CHARGE OF THEM .....!
I DON'T HAVE A RIGHT TO ASK FOR THIS TH.. THOSE MONKEYS ARE LIKE MY SONS. !!
I WILL, EVEN IN EXCHANGE FOR MY LIFE. !!
.... BE RE-LIEVED .....!!!
TH. THIS IS MY FINAL RE-QUEST

IT'S.. IT'S HEAVY .....!!
!?
I'M. INDEBTED
TH..THIS MAN-TO-MAN FAITH EVEN FOR HIS LIFE IS HEAVY FOR RAIDEN!!
TH...THIS BRUTAL DEMON, I..I'M CERTAIN WILL .....!!
ALL OF YOU, I..LEAVE THE REST TO YOU..
SO THEN, SHALL WE FINISH THIS!!
FUU- WITH THIS, I'LL FINALLY BE CLEARED AWAY!!

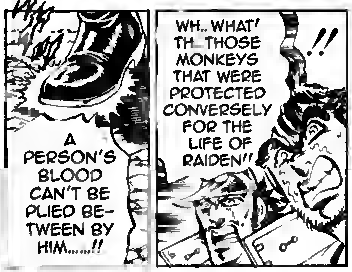
DIE

!!
RA...
RAIDEN
---!!
KIII
--!!

I WILL PRESENT THE MOST APPROPRIATE DEATH TO HIM!!
DA... DATE ---!!

YOU'RE A SOFT MAN! WHILE POSSESSING THAT EXTENT OF SKILL .....!!

FU, A MAN-TO-MAN PROMISE !!


A PERSON'S BLOOD CAN'T BE PLIED BETWEEN BY HIM.....!!
WH..WHAT! TH..THOSE MONKEYS THAT WERE PROTECTED CONVERSELY FOR THE LIFE OF RAIDEN!!
!!

TN:

YOU BETTER BELIEVE DATE HAS TO BE PISSED AFTER WHAT HAPPENED IN THIS CHAPTER. HECK, ANYONE WOULD CONSIDERING WHAT A JERK RYOUKOU IS TURNING OUT TO BE. (BUT DATE'S SIDE WILL BE FURTHER EXPLAINED IN THE NEXT CHAPTER) AS FOR THIS CHAPTER, RAIDEN DEFINITELY HAD THIS MATCH WON AND UNDER HIS CONTROL UNTIL THAT IDIOT BROUGHT THE MONKEYS INTO IT AS HIS HOSTAGE

RYOUKOU IS SO COWARDLY THAT HE WOULD CHOOSE TO HOLD A SICK MEANS TO DEFEAT HIS OPPONENT THAN TO ALLOW FOR AN HONORABLE DEATH BY HIS OWN SKILL AND ACKNOWLEDGING RAIDEN'S SUPERIORITY. RAIDEN HIMSELF ROCKED AT THE START OF THE CHAPTER, PARTICULARLY USING THAT WEIRD "EXPANSION" TECHNIQUE TO FIRE THOSE NEEDLES BACK. BUT OF COURSE IT IS THE SECOND HALF THAT SHOWS WHY HE PROBABLY IS ONE OF THE MORE INTERESTING CHARACTERS OF THE SERIES.

WE KNEW THAT RAIDEN AND ENPOU DID COME TO AN UNDERSTANDING OF EACH OTHER AT THE END OF THEIR FIGHT, BUT TO SEE RAIDEN ABANDON EVERYTHING JUST TO PROTECT THE MONKEYS THAT HE WAS GIVEN TO ACT AS HIS DISCIPLES (ONLY TO HAVE RYOUKOU KILL THEM ANYWAY) WAS ENOUGH TO SHOW WHAT REALLY MATTERED. YES HE COULD WIN, BUT IT WOULDN'T HAVE LOOKED GOOD ON HIM NOR ON EVERYTHING ENPOU GAVE HIM. I REALLY WISH RAIDEN WOULD BE THE ONE GIVING THE JUST DESSERTS FOR WHAT RYOUKOU HAS PULLED. BUT THAT'S DATE'S JOB NEXT TIME!

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